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Chip and Eric,

As you are aware, Gene is preparing a permit to collect fish that will include utilizing electro-shocking. For the purposes of getting the permit application in ASAP we are going to use the types and numbers of fish in your EPA Round 3b document. It is our understanding that this permit may take 6 to 9 months to process, so I wanted to check with the two of you about some ways you may be able to help us reduce that time frame:

- A) Can EPA contact the permitting agencies and help us expedite the process, or
- B) Can we take advantage of the CERCLA permit exception and just focus on the substantive components of the regulatory requirements? The most time consuming component of the substantive requirements is the agency consultation. If we can proceed without the permit, can you help us expedite that consultation?

FYI, Patty Dost will also be calling Lori Cora to discuss the CERCLA permit exemption option.

Thanks,

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